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iNADO Statement on Global Anti-Doping Reform

LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND – At the end of its Annual General Meeting, and on the eve of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) annual Anti-Doping Organisation Symposium, the most important annual gathering for anti-doping practitioners and hosted by anti-doping's global regulator, the 67-Member Institute of National Anti-Doping Organisations (iNADO) reiterated its resolute commitment to the global reforms outlined in the Copenhagen Declaration.

The proposed reforms are simple and effective:

- Remove the fundamental conflict of interest that exists when anti-doping decisions are controlled by sport organisations.
- Strengthen WADA through improved independence, transparency and increased investment.
- Increase and make clear WADA's ability to investigate, monitor compliance, and impose sanctions, so that all countries and organisations which engage in state-supported or institutionalised doping are held accountable.
- Provide the opportunity for athletes who have been robbed by doping to have significant and meaningful recognition and celebration of their achievements – including swift reallocation of any medals.
- Increase support and protection for courageous whistleblowers around the world.

Over the past few months, these reforms have gained tremendous support from athletes around the world. It is with these reforms in mind that iNADO has proposed concrete measures to the WADA Governance Working Group considering the reform of the agency's governing structures. The iNADO proposals aim to achieve real change to the current WADA governance structure and finally remove the structural conflicts of interests that have for too long prevented the rights of clean athletes from being fully protected.

A full list of the Copenhagen Declaration reforms can be found here:

http://www.inado.org/fileadmin/user_upload/Special_NADO_Summit_Reform_Proposals.pdf

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